

In the Claims

1-22. (canceled)

23. (New) A method for treating a psychiatric disorder in an animal, comprising:

administering to said animal an effective amount of an I_h channel inhibitor, wherein said I_h channel inhibitor has a pIC₅₀ of 5 to 12 for inhibition of the hyperpolarization-activated cation current in dorsal root ganglion cells.

24. (New) The method according to claim 23, wherein the psychiatric disorder is depression, anxiety or psychosis.

25. (New) The method according to claim 23, wherein the pIC₅₀ is in the range of 6 to 9.

26. (New) The method according to claim 24, wherein the pIC₅₀ is in the range of 6 to 9.